

BOARD OF REGENTS FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

MEETING TO BE HELD AT:

The Rhode Island Department of Education – Shepard Building 5th Floor
255 Westminster Street – Providence, RI 02903
Thursday, October 27, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.

A G E N D A

1. Public Remarks
2. Chairman's Remarks
 - a. NASBE Conference
 - b. Evolving Education/Minnesota Report
3. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Regents Meeting of September 29, 2005

APPROVAL ITEMS

4. Approval of Cut Scores
[Enclosure 4]

THEREFORE, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT: The Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education Adopt, Effective January 1, 2006, the Content Knowledge Tests and Passing Scores as a Requirement for the Issuance of a Middle School Endorsement for Individuals who do not have a Major or its Equivalent in the Content Area as Attached.

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT: The Board of Regents Eliminate, Effective Upon Adoption, the Two (2) Content Knowledge Test Requirements Currently in Place for Educators of Students with Severe/Profound Disabilities and Establish, Effective Upon Adoption, the Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge Test and Passing Score for this Area of Certification.

5. Approval of Appeals
[Enclosure 5]

Warwick School Committee vs. City of Warwick

Recommendation: That, in the matter of Warwick School Committee vs. City of Warwick, the Commissioner's decision is Affirmed.

Noelle C. Harris vs. Rhode Island Department of Education

Recommendation: That, in the matter of Noelle C. Harris vs. Rhode Island Department of Education, the Decision of the Commissioner is Affirmed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. NAEP Report
7. Report on Adult Education
8. Discussion of Regents' Priorities/White Papers
White Papers will be e-mailed by Wednesday, October 26, 2005
9. Discussion of Policies to Promote Student Leadership in Education
[Enclosure 9]
10. Regents' Committee Reports
 - a. Progressive Support & Intervention
 - b. Academic & Student Programs
 - c. Administrator & Teacher Quality
11. Commissioner's Report
12. Agenda for Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Board of Regents is scheduled for November 10, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. in the Shepard Building, room 501. Additional information about the agenda is available in the Office of the Commissioner of Education, Shepard Building, 255 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903. Shepard Building has been deemed accessible to those with disabilities by the State Building Commissioner. Those requiring an interpreter for the deaf or hearing impaired or requiring English to Spanish translation should call 401-222-8468 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting. Individuals using TDD please call Relay RI at 1-800-745-5555 or e-mail Vilma.diorio@ride.ri.gov